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THE
ROYAL CHARTER, &c.

CHARLES the Second, by the Grace of God, of *England, Scotland, France and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. TO ALL to whom these Presents shall come Greeting. WHEREAS the Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of Our City of *Dublin*, in our Kingdom of *Ireland*, have humbly petitioned Us, thereby setting forth, That several of our Subjects in that Our City and Kingdom, being charitably affected towards such as through Age, Sicknes, or other Accidents, are reduced to Poverty, or disabled to gain their Living by their own Labour; and piously considering also the great Benefit of the good Education and Instruction of Youth; have proposed the Erection, building and establishing of an Hospital and Free School, within the Liberties of our City of *Dublin*, and have shewed great Willingness to contribute

tribute to so good a Work, which they hope to accomplish, in Case they may, by our Royal Authority, be enabled and capacitated to purchase Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments for the erecting and maintaining of such an Hospital and Free School, and to make good, wholesome and necessary Laws for the Rule and Government thereof. KNOW Ye therefore, that We of our princely Disposition, for the Furtherance and Accomplishment of so good and charitable a Work, of our especial Grace, certain Knowledge and mere Motion, by and with the Advice and Consent of our right trusty and well beloved Counsellor, *John, Lord Berkeley*, our Lieutenant General and General Governour of our said Realm of *Ireland*, and according to the Tenour and Effect of our Letters, bearing Date at our Court at *Whitehall*, the four and twentieth Day of *October*, in the three and twentieth Year of our Reign, and now enrolled in the Rolls in our High Court of *Chancery* in our said Realm of *Ireland*, Have given, granted, released and confirmed, And by these Presents for Us, our Heirs and Successors, Do give, grant, release and confirm unto the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons, and Citizens of Our City of *Dublin*, and their Successors for ever, ALL that Piece or Parcel of Ground on *Oxmantown-Green*, near
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Our said City of *Dublin*, on which the intended Hospital and Free-School is already begun to be built. AND all and singular the Edifices and Buildings thereon, and all Yards, Backsides, Lands, Tenements, Ways, Waters, Water-courses, Easements, Liberties, Privileges, Profits, Commodities, Advantages, Appurtenances, and Hereditaments whatsoever, to the same belonging or appertaining, of what Quantity, Quality, Nature, Kind, or Sort soever they be, and by whatsoever Name or Names the same are called or known, or reputed, accepted or taken, together with their and every of their Rights, Members and Appurtenances whatsoever; and also the Reversion and Reversions, Remainder and Remainders of all and singular the Premises, and every Part and Parcel thereof, and also all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Claim, Property, Challenge and Demand whatsoever, which We Our Heirs or Successors have, or at any Time hereafter may, can, might or ought to have of, in, or unto the Premises, or unto any Part or Parcel thereof. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all and singular the Premises before, in and by these Presents given, granted, released and confirmed, or herein or hereby meant, mentioned, or intended to be given, granted, released and confirmed, and every Part,

Parcel and Member thereof, together with their and every of their Rights, Members and Appurtenances whatsoever, unto them the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons, and Citizens of Our City of *Dublin*, and their Successors for ever; to be held and enjoyed by the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons, and Citizens of Our said City of *Dublin*, and their Successors for ever; to the only Use, Ends, Intents and Purposes hereafter in these Presents mentioned and expressed; that is to say, Upon the especial Trust and Confidence, and to the End, Intent and Purpose, that the said Piece of Ground on *Oxmantown-Green* aforesaid, hereby granted, or meant, mentioned, and intended to be granted, and the building thereon erected, and to be erected, Shall for ever more hereafter be, remain and continue a Mansion-House, and Place of Abode for the Sustentation and Relief of poor Children, aged and impotent People; to be holden of Us, our Heirs and Successors, as of our Castle of *Dublin*, in Free and Common Soccage, without any Rent or other Payment to be rendered or paid unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors for the same. AND FURTHER of Our more abundant Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, and princely Disposition for the Furtherance and Accomplishment of so good and charitable a Work,

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by and with the Advice and Consent afore-
 said; and in Pursuance of our said Letters,
 We have given and granted, and by these
 Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors,
 We do give and grant unto the said Mayor,
 Sheriffs, Commons, and Citizens of Our
 said City of *Dublin*, and their Successors for
 ever, full Power and Authority, at their
 Will and Pleasures, from Time to Time,
 and at all Times, to place therein such
 Master or Masters of the said Hospital, and
 such Numbers of poor People and Children,
 and such Officers or Ministers of the said
 Hospital and Free-School, as likewise an
 able, learned, pious and orthodox Minister,
 to be approved of from Time to Time by the
 Archbishop of *Dublin*, for the Time being;
 the said Minister to read Divine Service, and
 preach and teach the Word of God to such
 as shall reside within the same, and cate-
 chize such Children as shall be in the said
 Hospital or Free-School, as to the said
 Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons, and Citizens,
 and their Successors, or such as shall be ap-
 pointed as aforesaid, shall seem convenient;
 and from Time to Time, as they shall see Oc-
 casion, to remove, displace, and amove such
 Master, Minister, Poor, poor Children, People,
 or any other Officers or Ministers to the said
 Hospital or Free-School belonging, and put
 some other or others in his or their Place or
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Stead, and to apportion, appoint, and allow, from Time to Time such Fees, Salaries and Wages, and such Allowances for Maintenance, Relief and Sustainment of the said Preacher, Master or Masters, other Officers or Ministers, and the said poor People and Children, as to them the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens, and their Successors, shall seem meet : And that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens, and their Successors, from Time to Time, and at all Times hereafter, when and as often as it shall seem expedient, or Necessity shall require, to make, constitute and appoint all or any such apt, wholesome and honest Ordinances, Statutes, Rules and Orders for or in Relation to the well governing of the said Hospital and Free-school, or either of them, or the Master, Minister, Poor, poor Children, or any other Officers or Ministers to the said Hospital, or Free-school, belonging or to be belonging, as to them the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens, and their Successors, shall seem meet, convenient, or necessary, giving and hereby granting unto them the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens, and their Successors, full and absolute Power and Authority to perform and execute all Act or Acts, Thing or Things whatsoever, that shall be requisite and necessary to
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be done for the putting in Execution or compelling a Performance of all such Ordinances, Statutes, Rules and Orders that shall, by Vertue of these Presents, be made, constituted or appointed, without Interruption of Us, our Heirs, or Successors, or any of the Justices, Escheators, Sheriffs, Ministers, Servants, or other Subjects whatsoever, of Us, Our Heirs, or Successors, any Statute, Act, Law, or Direction heretofore done or made, or hereafter to be done or made to the contrary notwithstanding; so that such Statutes, Ordinances, Rules, or Orders so to be made, constituted, or appointed by Vertue of these Presents, be not contrary or disagreeing to the Laws and Statutes of Our Kingdom of *England*, or *Ireland*, or Our Royal Authority, and such Rules, Ordinances and Statutes to disannul and make void, as shall by the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens be found from Time to Time prejudicial and hurtful to the Government of the said Hospital and Free-school. AND further of Our more abundant Grace, certain Knowledge, meer Motion, and princely Disposition, for the Furtherance and Accomplishment of so good and charitable a Work, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, and in Pursuance of Our said Letters, We have also given and granted, and by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, do give
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and grant unto the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of our said City of *Dublin*, and their Successors for ever, That the said Hospital and Free-school shall be named, Incorporated, and called, THE HOSPITAL AND FREE-SCHOOL OF KING CHARLES THE SECOND, *Dublin*, and by that Name shall be and is hereby erected, founded, established and confirmed, and to have Maintenance and Continuance for ever, and that the Mayors, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of Our said City of *Dublin*, and their Successors, shall be from Time to Time Governors of the said Hospital and Free-school, and of the Lands and Tenements, Possessions, Revenues and Goods, unto the same belonging, or to be belonging, and shall be called and known by the Name of the Governors of the Hospital and Free-school of King *Charles* the Second, *Dublin*, and that the said Governors shall be and for ever continue by the Name of the Governors of the Hospital and Free-school of King *Charles* the Second, *Dublin*, a Body Politic and Corporate, to have Successors for ever, and by that Name shall be and continue; and shall be able and capable in Law from Time to Time, and at all Times, to sue or be sued in any of Our Courts Spiritual and Temporal, within Our Kingdom of *Ireland*, or other Our Kingdoms and Dominions, in Relation to the said Hospital and Free-school,

school, or any of the Lands, Tenements or Possessions, Revenues or Goods unto the same belonging, or to be belonging, or for any Transgressions, Offences, Matters, Causes, or Things made, committed, or done, or to be done, in or upon the Premises, or any Part thereof, or any Thing in these Presents specified, and to purchase, take, hold, receive and enjoy to them and their Successors for ever, to the Ends aforesaid, as well Goods and Chattles, as also any Manors, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Reversions, Annuities and Hereditaments whatsoever, as well from Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, as of any other Person or Persons whatsoever, not exceeding the yearly Value of Six Thousand Pounds Sterling, the Statutes of Mortmain or any other Statutes to the contrary notwithstanding: And further of Our more abundant Grace, certain Knowledge, meer Motion, and princely Disposition, for the Furtherance and Accomplishment of so good and charitable a Work, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, and in Pursuance of Our said Letters, We have also given and granted, and by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, do give and grant free Liberty and License, that the said Governors, and their Successors, may have and enjoy a Common Seal for the sealing of any Instru-

Instrument, or Instruments, Deeds, or Writings, touching and concerning the Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, Busineses, or Affairs of the said Hospital and Free-school; nevertheless Our Royal Pleasure, Intent, and Meaning is, that the said Governors, or their Successors, shall not do, or suffer to be done, at any Time hereafter, any Act or Thing whereby any of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or the Estate which shall belong to the said Corporation, shall be conveyed, alienated, or transferred, to any other Use whatsoever than to the Use of the said Hospital or Free-school, and that the said Governors, for the Time being, shall not make any other Lease or Leases of any of the Lands, Tenements, Possessions, or Hereditaments, which shall belong to the said Corporation than for the Term of Forty-one Years of Houses, or Buildings, or Ground to be built on, and of Twenty-one Years of Lands, Tythes, or other Hereditaments, and those to be made either in Possession, or not above Two Years before the Expiration of the State in Possession, and that without Fine or Income, at the best yearly Rent that *bona fide* from good and solvent Tenants may be had, and that no Lease be made to any of the aforesaid Governors, or to any other Person or Persons,

sons, to the Use, or for in Trust for any of the said Governors: AND further of Our more abundant Grace, certain Knowledge, and meer Motion, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, and in Pursuance of our said Letters, We have given and granted, and by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, do give and grant unto the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of Our City of *Dublin*, and their Successors, that these Our Letters Patents, or the Inrolment thereof, and every Clause, Article, Matter, and Thing whatsoever, herein contained, shall be in, by, and through all Things firm, good, valid, sufficient, and effectual in the Law unto them the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens, and their Successors, against Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, as well in all Our Courts within our said Realm of *Ireland* as elsewhere wheresoever, notwithstanding the not finding, or not returning, or ill finding, or ill returning of any Office, or Inquisition, of the Parcel of Ground and Premises in and by these Our Letters Patents, meant, mentioned, and intended to be given and granted for the Ends and Purposes aforesaid, whereby our Title should have been found of, in, and unto the said Premises and every Part and Parcel thereof before the making of these Presents, and notwithstanding the
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not naming or not rightly naming of the Premises, or any Part or Parcel thereof, or the Parish, Ward, Liberty, Freedom, or Place, in which the Premises, or any Part or Parcel thereof, is, are, or do lie, and notwithstanding the not naming, or not rightly naming, the Quantity, Quality, Nature, Kind, or Sort of the Premises, or any Part or Parcel thereof, and notwithstanding that of the true annual Value, Rate, Survey, Quantity, or Quality, of the Premises, there be no true, certain, or no mention made in these Presents, and notwithstanding the not naming, or not reciting, or ill naming, or ill reciting, of any Grant or Grants, Lease or Leases, heretofore made of the Premises, or any Part or Parcel thereof, to any Person or Persons whatsoever for Term of Life, Lives, or Years, in Fee Simple, or Fee Tail, or otherwise howsoever, remaining of Record, or not of Record, and notwithstanding that of the Rent heretofore reserved upon any former Demise or Demises, Lease or Leases, heretofore made of the Premises, or any Part or Parcel thereof, there be no full, true, certain, or no mention at all made in these Presents, and notwithstanding a certain Statute made in the Parliament held at *Westminster* in Our said Kingdom of *England*, in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of King

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Henry the Sixth, late King of *England*, Our Predecessor, and notwithstanding a certain Statute made in the Parliament held at *Limerick*, in Our said Kingdom of *Ireland*, in the Thirtieth Year of the Reign of King Henry the Eighth, late King of *England*, Our Predecessor, the Title of which Act is, An Act for Lands given by the King, and notwithstanding any other Statute or Act made in Our said Kingdom of *Ireland*, in any of the Years of the Reign of the said King Henry the Eighth, and notwithstanding a certain Statute made in Our said Kingdom of *Ireland*, the Second Year of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, late Queen of *England*, Our Predecessor; and notwithstanding any other Statute or Act, Statutes or Acts, made in our said Kingdom of *Ireland*, in the said Second Year of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, or any other Year of the Reign of the said Queen *Elizabeth*, or of any other the Kings or Queens of *England*; and notwithstanding any Act, Clause, Provision, or Ordinance made in the Parliament begun at *Dublin* in the Fifteenth Year of the Reign of our late Royal Father, of ever glorious Memory, deceased; and notwithstanding any other Statute, Act, Ordinance, Provision, or Restriction, or any other Cause, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, to the Evacuation or Annihilation of these

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Our Letters Patents; and notwithstanding a Writ of *ad quod damnum* hath not issued to enquire concerning the Premises. AND Our further Will and Pleasure is, and We do by these Presents for Us, our Heirs, and Successors, give and grant unto the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of our said City of *Dublin*, and their Successors, That they the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of Our said City of *Dublin*, shall have these Our Letters Patents under Our Great Seal of *Ireland* without Fine, great or small, to be therefore paid to Our Use in Our *Chanaper*, in Our said Kingdom of *Ireland*, Although express Mention is not made of the clear yearly Value, or of the Certainty of the Premises, or that any Gift or Grant heretofore made by Us, or Our Progenitors, to the said Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of Our said City of *Dublin* of the Premises, any Statute, Act, Ordinance, or Provision, or any other Cause or Matter whatsoever to the contrary notwithstanding; Provided always that these Our Letters Patents be inrolled in the Rolls of Our High Court of *Chancery* in Our said Kingdom of *Ireland*, within the Space of Six Months next ensuing the Date of these Presents. In Witness whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patents. Witness Our
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aforesaid Lieutenant General and General Governor of Our said Kingdom of *Ireland* at *Dublin*, the Fifth Day of *December*, in the Three and Twentieth Year of our Reign.

DOMVILE,

Irrotulat in Rot. Paten. Cancellar. Hibnie Viceffimo Sexto Die Januarij Anno Regni Regis Caroli Secundi Viceffimo Tertio, et examinat per me

Ra. Wallis, Cleric. in Offic. M^r. Rotolor.

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His Excellency General and Governor of Our said Kingdom of Ireland at
Dublin, the Fifth Day of December, in the
Third and Twentieth Year of our Reign.

DOMVILLE

Presented to His Excellency the Governor of Ireland
for the Honorable the Privy Council
the Honorable the Lord Chancellor
the Honorable the Lord Justice
the Honorable the Lord Chief Justice
and the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas
for the Honorable the Privy Council



Given under the Great Seal of Great Britain
at the City of London, the Fifth Day of December, 1757.

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